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What the Future A M E Church Will Be and Do.

Will be thoroughly Episcopal.
Will kneel in prayer, and not sit.
Will be more consistent.
Will be less spasmodic.
Will abolish proxy singing by choirs
and all will sing.
Will preach a solid gospel.
Will do less quarreling in the pul-

pit.
Will have presiding elders with
courage enough to locate worthless
pastors.

Will quadruple their missionary
donations.

Will build twelve churches a week.
Will keep revival fires burning.

Will know the reason they are Meth-

odists.

Will let theological twaddle alone.

Will be dignified, without being
aristocratic.

Will not be so good that they will be
good for nothing.

Will do less gossiping.

Will be less treacherous.

Will endow their colleges.

Will lay hold of the common pro-

ple.

Will preach more repentance and
regeneration.

Will insist upon holiness of heart
and life.

Will have a baptism of church loy-

alty.

Will not steal missionary money.

Will not shrink from enforcing the
Discipline.

Will not think more of dollars than
sons.

Will not have pastors who will expel
ten, to where they can get one to join
the church.

Will demand revival preaching.

Will be a thousandfold more con-

cerned about Africa.

Will not have preachers who will
ridicule the emotional, because they
have never been born again.

Will not have the best features of his-

toric class meeting.

Will have class leaders who can
spiritually instruct the members.

Will feel no obligation to fill
the ranks of other denominations with
our converts.

Will revile the best features of the re-

ligious culture of young converts.

Will send members to the general
conference who are not afraid to vote
against the liquor traffic.

Will see that the laws enacted by the
general conference are incorporated in
the Book of Discipline.

Will rebuild the line fence between
the church and the world.

Will keep the church doors wide
open seven days in the week.

Will have pastors who are not too
lazy to preach on Wednesday or Thurs-

day night.

Will have their leading city churches
open from 12 to 1 o'clock every day in
the week for mid-day services.

Will report all money raised for
church expenses to the congregations
from whom it was collected.

Will insist that repentance for sin
is the first step toward the kingdom of
God.

Will demand that their ministers
shall wear robes as God himself di-

rected.

Will have an archbishop to make
out the appointments of the bishops as
they make out the appointments of the
ministers.

Will publish a hundred thousand
copies of the Christian Recorder week-

ly.

Will not have their general officers
trotting around to every conference
to keep their departments alive, when
they ought to be in their offices.

Will preach, echo and re-echo the
Wesleyan doctrine of the witness of
the Holy Spirit.

Will not have bishops engineering
pro or con as to who shall or shall not
be elected to the bishopric.

Will not have presiding elders who
will punish preachers of ability by
sending them to starvation places, be-
cause they do not like them personally.

Will have millions of members in
Africa when the opponents of African
missions will be dead and in hades and
their names forgotten on earth.

Will have hymns written by black
men and women, and so worded that
they will not cast reproach upon their
color, and such songs as, "Wash me
whiter than snow" will no longer be
heard in their religious devotions.

Will have no black preachers stand-
ing in the pulpits using the adjective
black to describe all that is low, base,
mean and wicked, and the adjective
white to represent the good, pure, holy
and heavenly. They will have sense
enough to know that black is as grac-
eful and as honorable as white.

Will retain no local preachers on the
Quarterly Conference roll who are too
worthless and trifling to lead prayer-
meetings, much less go out and search
for places to employ their gifts and
graces.

Will not have pastors who will hold
love feast service after the Lord's Sup-
per is administered, but before, as the
love-feast was originally intended to
be held by Mr. Wesley that it might
prepare the members for the holy com-
munion.

Will not confer the title of D. D.
upon preachers who do not understand
the elementary principles of English
grammar.

Will locate every pastor, who will
fuss all the year about his own money,
and never even try to pay a cent upon
the debt of the church.

Will not order a man home from a
mission field thousands of miles across
the ocean and not send him a dime to
come with.

Will not cry down female preachers
because they can excel them in pulpit
eloquence and power.

Will not send men to the general
conference at a cost of \$30,000, who
will wrangle three weeks and never
pass upon the reports of the publication,
missionary, Sabbath school, and other
important departments involving the
life of the church.

Will not have pastors who will baptize
children and fail to see that their
names are entered upon the church
register.

Will not expel persons from the church
except for what Christ Himself directed.

Incorrigible obstinacy and
contumacious heterodoxy, and will
punish or reprimand for all other
church offenses, according to the mag-
nitude of the crime, as our discipline
provides for now in part. Yet they
will hold on to them and try to reform
and save them in keeping with the dia-
logues of a merciful Christianity.

Will have presiding elders, who will
receive no steward or trustee report
without the pastor is present with the
said boards when the reports are made
up and signed by himself as an evi-
dence of his approval.

Will not preach a bishop all day on

Sunday, and after the congregation
has been begged to death for the ben-
efit of the church ask for another col-
lection for "our venerable Father,"
when they know the people have nothing
of his actual lectures.

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Rev. A. H. Mew, pastor of St.

Matthews A. M. E. church, Greenville,
Miss., had received thirteen persons at
the time of writing, into the church.

Mrs. H. C. Garrett has been appoint-
ed by the trustee board as soliciting
agent for the same church. She is a
lady of high merit and entitled to pub-
lic confidence.

PROGRAMME.

The Ministerial Institute of the Mis- sissippi and Arkansas Conferences of the A. M. E. Church,

To be Held for Mutual Instruction, Re- ciprocal Criticism and Gen- eral Enlightenment.

Mississippi Institute will convene at
Crystal Springs, July 24th, at 9 o'clock
a. m. and remain in session three full
days.

Arkansas Institute will convene at
Pine Bluff July 3

A MAN WITH A HISTORY.

The Terrible Experience That Befell John W. Thomas, of Tipton, Tenn.

Associated with a Prester Disease. His Body Covered with Lumps. Could not Eat and Thought He Was Going to Die Up. His Recovery the Marvel of Tennessee.

(From the Nashville, Tenn., Banner.)

Mr. John W. Thomas, Jr., of Tennessee, is a man with a most interesting history. At present he is interested in blooded horses for which many county is famous.

"Few people, I take it," said Mr. Thomas to a reporter who had asked him for the story of his life, "have passed through as remarkable a chain of events as I have and remained alive to tell the story."

"It was along in 1884, when I was working in the silver mines of New Mexico, that my troubles began; at first I suffered with indigestion, and so acute did the pain become that I went to California for my health, but the trip did me little good, and I finally impressed with the idea that my last day had nearly dawned upon me, I hurried back here to my old home to die."

"From simple indigestion my malady developed into a chronic inability to take any substantial food. I was barely able to creep about, and at times I was prostrated by spells of heart palpitation. This condition continued until one year ago."

"On the 11th of April, 1893, I suddenly collapsed, and for days I was unconscious. In fact I was not fully myself until July. My condition on September 1st, was simply horrible. I rises back into the interior and

had nearly dawned upon me, I hurried back here to my old home to die."

"About sunset Friday, April 13th, we reached the port of Virginia, disembarked and walked two miles to Brewerville, doubtless the most desirable

settlement along the St. Paul river.

The country is high and level; the cool breezes from the ocean make the climate healthy; the land is rich beyond description; immense coffee farms

greet the eye on every side. I never

saw a more beautiful, fertile and prom-

ising settlement than Brewerville.

The settlers all have large farms and

are growing rich. We have a most in-

teresting set of people here who have

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A GRAND LETTER

From Sierra Leone to Liberia, Africa, and Its Possibilities.

BY REV. A. L. RIDGE, P. E.

BREWERVILLE, LIBERIA, W. C. A.,

April 14th, 1894.

MY DEAR BISHOP TURNER:

Our voyage from Freetown to Monrovia was pleasant. We were on board nearly a week as our steamer called at Lavanah, Salumah and Manah.

These are beautiful little English ports along the Kroo-coast. Salumah would be a splendid place for a mission station among the Kroo tribe.

On our arrival at Monrovia we met a warm reception on every hand.

Rev. Bailey, J. B. Brisbane and others conducted us to comfortable quarters where many prominent persons called to bid us welcome, among whom was Rev. W. B. Gibson, rector of Trinity church, secretary of state and president of the Liberia college.

Friday, April 13th being "National Thanksgiving Day" we were invited to speak at the M. E. church. We did our best and was pleased to meet so many intelligent and sociable people.

After spending several pleasant days in the capital of the Liberian Republic we embarked for Brewerville. The scenery along the way was grand. For the first time in life I saw four wild monkeys frolicking among the immense clusters of Mangrove bushes which grow so spontaneously along the banks of the creek leading into the St. Paul river. The St. Paul river is one of the most delightful streams of water that my eyes ever beheld. It sweeps into the interior and

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BLESSED WITH A REVIVAL.

BY J. S. MASTERS.

MR. EDITOR OF VOICE OF MISSIONS:

Please allow me a small space in your paper to state that the A. M. E. church in Flint is all alive and moving along nicely. I have just closed a grand revival on April 16th. There were 60 conversions during our meetings, and there have been 57 added to the church who, I trust, will be lively members of the same. The membership has been more than doubled since my appointment last conference, which was in September, 1893. (George Bell) the great evangelist of the Michigan conference was with me all through my meetings and did a great work for the Master. Too much cannot be said about his successful manner of conducting revival meetings, for God has used him in this city and has wonderfully blessed his labors. As a singer he has a sweet and pleasant voice, and uses it effectively. He is affable and takes well, being loved by all with whom he comes in contact. Such an evangelist has long been needed in every conference of this great connection.

If there was less self-aggrandizement among the ministers and more zeal for God's cause the churches

would do better and more souls would

be saved. Ministers of churches are

so greedy for praise themselves that

that they do not want an evangelist to

come near them, lest it might be said

that God, through them, had done a

good work. Never since there has

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Queen Victoria's Birthday.

Queen Victoria celebrated her seventy-fifth birthday a few days ago. The queen is now in excellent health, and it is possible that she will live for some years to come. She has been on the throne fifty-seven years, and her reign embraces many of the most memorable events in English history.

Victoria will not rank in history among the greatest rulers of the world, but she will be remembered as a good wife and mother, a model of virtue and a queen who felt a deep interest in the welfare of her subjects. She has had nine children, of whom seven are still living.

Since she has been on the throne her people have given her in the civil list expenditures \$110,275,000, and \$48,676,705 for the support of her residences and stables. Her direct expenditures are \$1,800,000 a year. The sum allowed by the government for the support of the other members of the royal family is \$1,300,000 a year. The queen has saved and invested some thirty or forty million dollars, and in the event of a revolution her children would inherit enough to give them a new start in the world.

There is not much more to be said about this serene and fortunate old lady. She holds to the religious faith and the political creed of her fathers, and is opposed to liberal views. She hates scandal as much as she hates Mr. Gladstone, loves big dinners and good wine, and still believes that her husband was the best man that ever lived. Two or three attempts have been made to assassinate her, but her people love her, and her successor will be lucky indeed if he enjoys her popularity. This last anniversary was a notable one. It is a rare thing for a sovereign to celebrate a seventy-fifth birthday after fifty-seven years on the throne. —Ex.

Radishes.

Radishes possess valuable medicinal properties. They are demulcent, stimulant and diuretic, and should be eaten freely when fresh and crisp. They are usually eaten with salt only, but if sliced thin are very nice with a French dressing. In this country the radishes themselves are rarely cooked, though the tops of young radishes are often boiled. The radish is a native of Asia, where it has been cultivated from the most ancient times. Nearly an inch of the green top should be left on the radishes when they are prepared for the table, and this little portion of the top should be eaten, as the peculiar properties they possess help to digest the radish itself. —Westchester News.

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Comes blessed peace to a turbulent, unruly
River brought into subjection and disciplined
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the rheumatic, the nervous, the feeble,
the constipated; and those whose kidneys
and bladders are weak, will find this always
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which the bitters is a remedy.

As a rule man works the hardest trying to
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That man whom has joined together let his
diverse coats put asunder.

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Effectually yet gently, when constipated or bilious, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, to expel headaches, colds or fevers, use Syrup of Fig.

Time saved is not a blessing if the time is
put to ignoble uses.

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